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The Osaka Mainichi publishes a Gifu telegram stating that Iwodake, a volcano in Hida province, suddenly burst into eruption on Wednesday. Fire and smoke were soon coming from the crater during the afternoon of the same day, and the people living in the neighbourbood were naturally much alarmed.

The volcano is situated between Yoshiki district, Hida province, and inami Azuchi d'strict, Shinano' province. Iwodake, which was considered to be an extinct volcano, rises 6,775 feet above sea-level. At the base of the mountain are a number of hot springs, while two high volcanic peaks-which it is hoped are extinct-stand near by.

STRAITS STAMPS. There are few better slamp centres than Singapore. In addition to the Straits and F.M.S., close at hand lie such interesting countries from the philatelist's point of view as Sarawak, Siam, Dutch Indies, Labuan and Borneo, I is notwithstanding a mournful fact that the Singapore Stamp Club is dead and gone, and the monthly exchange packets, from which one sought the overlooked variety and so very seldom found it, no longer make their appearance. Forty years ago the first Straits Settlements stamps were issued, these being a set of nine Indian stamps surcharged with a crown and the value in cents. The value of an unused set of these is over £10, their face value just under a dol'ar. A year later in 1863 the Straits issued a set of eight values on their own account; the most interesting being the 9' cent. grey which with 121 perforations is catalogued by Stanley Gibbons at 28-15-0. Then followed a long series of surcharges with small differences over which the specialists may revel, a fat bold ten on a stamp means a paltry six shillings" while a thin weak ten rises up to £4. Browning perchance was thinking of surcharges when he wrote, ' The little more and how much it is. The little less and what worlds away." In 1883 the watermark was changed from the Crown over C.C. to the Crown over C. 1. The former letters stood for Crown Colonies, while the latter, as the thoughtful will surmise, means Crown Agents. The last issue in Queen Victoria's reign commenced in 1892 and remained in use till the first issue of King Edward in 1902. The first issue of the present King showed no particular beauty design, which indeed was common to very many of the Crown Colonies. A year later however the Straits commenced what was expected to be a new series, which however stopped at the eight cent stamp. The present one cent stamp with its back-ground of palms is emblematical of Singapore and incidentally of the Free Press on which it pays the postage. The three cent stamp with the background of pinang trees of course represents Penang, while the four cents adorned with mipak palm stands for Malacca. In its new shade of crimson this is perhaps the most artistic of the set. On the eight cent is shown the Kris, which may stand for Malaya as a whole. The four stamps so familiar to all were designed by Sir Walter Egerton and though perhaps he cannot find time to complete the series, surely there are other artists who might carry on the work. In 1904 the watermarks were again altered, the Crown Agents having C.A. stamped all over the sheets in what, is known as the multiple Crown and C.A. The ["BACHSEN"] About WEDNESDAY, original single Crown and C.A. King Edward Noon, 25th Dec., 1907. stamps are rising rapidly in value. Having lived a very respectable and quiet philatelic life up till the present year, the Straits caused

a bit of a sensation. Apparently amongst the assets in the Labuan Treasury when taken over was a large stock of the 1902 Labuan Issue. First a lot were surcharged for Brunei and soon after the remainder for use in the Straits Settlements. Undoubtedly the greater portion of these were bought by collectors, speculators and dealers; their ultimate value is uncertain. Correspondents of the big stamp firms in sending post-paid replies stuck these on the envelope to get them used in Singapore. If readers can get the Labuan-Straits set of nine for about , to \$.2 they would probably not lose on them. In all since the first issue, Stanley Gibbons puts the total number of stamps issued at a hundred and forty. But the shade and type specialists made up many more. Up to the present we have had no "I fficial" s'amps and no "Postage Due" or indeed any of extras that some countries appear to fit d remunerative. Although the Straits is not at present one of the most fashionable countries for specialists, there will no doubt come a time when the Transvaal and Orange River Colony stamps brought into such prominence by the special and in some cases very rate war issues, with endless varieties of type, will cease to attract. Stamp collecting | NEW CENTURY & SUNTYPEWRITERS, can never be completed and frequently a collector takes a group of countries in which there is some hope of obtaining a representative The Strait collector cannot do better than devote himself to say Straits, Johore, F.M.S.

and Sarawak, or if that does not satisfy him add Borneo and Labuan. But Borneo has a bad reputation for needless surcharges. There is little doubt but that Borneo stamps have paid the Company a great deal better than many other ventures. Still the stimps are very artistic and exceedingly well, reproduced but then cel'ecting pictures and collecting stamps are two different things.

—Feele in Singapore Free Press.

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"PRINZ-EITEL FRIEDRICH," having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception

of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous. Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before TUESDAY, the 17th of December, at Noon. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 24th of December, will be subject to reat.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 24th of December, at 9.30 A.M. All claims must reach us before the 28th of December, or they will not be recognized.

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"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS

Hongkong, 18th December, 1907.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. STEAMSHIP "LENNOX." FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND

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CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk, into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves

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6 hours. Goods not cleared by the 29th inst., at P.M., will be subject to rent. 🔗

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Houghong, 4th June, 1997.

THE HEAVY DUGLING IN THE SILVER WARKET.

its eyerci on Japan.

The Japan Chronicle of 12th inst. says:-The London silver market, which declined to lolten have to work and weep at the same time. 3611. on Monday, the lowest point reached this year, declined by &d. further on Tuesday, heavy and monotonous. It makes them making the lowest secord since 1915. The meivour and irritable lepressed and CLOSED for the Transaction of Public, rate of exchange upon Shanghai on demand rose to 77% taols, a rise of about a lacis in four days, and the market for marine produce (dried Awabi, seawood, &c.) in Kobe has been seciously, affected. As the Chinese merchants have been obliged to suddenly stop their purchases by reason of the depreciation in silver, this branch of business is almost at a lorgans; and there is no saying what the end llitebaat.

In Osaka anxiety has arisen as to the future I rest as much as possible; and, above all, place of cotton yarn, which is so much affected by at her command a bottle of the silver market in China. This has resulted]

ing the money market.

Osaka Three Articles Exchange for December | have found it a preparation of great merit. delivery closed at Y117.15, a decline of Y1.40 a recent case a patient gained nearly twenty on the rate on the previous day. January de- pounds in two months' treatment, in which livery was quoted at Y115.00, a decline of was the principal remedial agent." It carries of Yr 80, and February delivery at Yr14.90, a the guarantee of reliability and cannot fail or

decline of Y1.954. Despite the general decline in the share | Sold by all chemists. market on Tuesday, the old Kanegasuchi shares for February delivery closed unchanged. In reference to the present price of spinning shares, the Osaka Asshi writes that, calculated according to the rate of interest paid. on those shares, the quotations of some of them have now declined to the level of the reserve as calculated upon each share, or the paid-up amount of capital, yet there is very little demand. The Amagasaki Spinning Company's shares form the only spinning stock which maintains a quotation above Y too, and are in demand on the basis of the dividend previously paid,

amounting to 50 per cent. It is reported that Woo Chin lon, a wealthy Chinese merchant of Kobe, has been largely buying Kanegaluchi shares in Tokyo as well as in Osaka. Probably this accounts for the maintenance of the market of the shares for February delivery.

> WHIRLWIND IN HYOGO. PREPECTOAL

> > A SERIOUS ACCIDENT.

On the afternoon of the 10th instant the barracks of the 70th. Infantry Regiment at Sasayama, It yogo prefecture, now in course of construction, were struck by a whirlwind with such force that the frames of the building were lifted up about six inches from the ground, and then fell down in a mass of ruins. Five carpenters and thirteen labourers who were working on the frame-work were thrown down and injured, two of them severely.

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Intimations.

THE WORRIED WOMEN

They say men must work and women must ween | but alas, in this too busy world women Their holidays are too few and their work worried woman loses her appetite and grows Business TO-MORROW and THURSDAY, thin and feeble. Once in a while she has spells the 25th and 26th instant, respectively. of palpitation and has to lie up for a dayor two. If some disease like influenza or malarial fever happens to prevail she is almost certain to have an attack of it, and that often paves the way for chronic troubles of the throat, lungs and, other may be. Let the tired and overladen woman

WAMPOLE'S PREPARATION in a decline in the market on the Three Articles | a true and sure remedy for the ills and maladies Exchange (Cotton Yarn and Fabrics and Raw, of women. It is palatable aschoney and con-Colton). The low price of colton yarn has tains all the nutritive and curative properties of affected the price of spinning shares on the Pure Cod Liver Oil, combined with the Com-Stock Exchange, which, combined with the pound Syrup of Hypophosphites and the decline in other shares, has resulted in con- Extracts of Malt and Wild Cherry. Search the siderable depreciation in the value of securities | world over and you will find nothing to equal held by the banks, this of course in turn affect- it. Taken before meals it improves the nutri- Business on WEDNESDAY and THURS. tive value of ordinary foods by making them DAY, the 1st and 2nd January, respectively. "While the decline in silver restricts exports | casier to assimilate, and has carried hope and from Japan to China, it encourages the import | good cheer into thousands of darkened homes. from that country. The export of copper to It is effective from the first dose, and probably China has also been affected, and the year will one bottle is all you may need. It is absolutely close with a large accumulation of stocks. It is I reliable, and effective in Blood Impurities, expected that the advance in price of commodi- | Nervous | Dyspepsia, Wasting Conditions, ties in China due to the rise in silver will Melancholy, Chlorosis, Impaired Nutrition, ultimately affect the export of goods to Japan. | Scrofula, Low Vitality, and all troubles of the On Tuesday the quotations of yarn on the Throat and Lungs. Dr. E. J. Boyes says: " I disappoint you. Why accept a substitute?

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BIRTH.

wife of WAKEFORD, COX, of a son. DEATHS. On December 16, 1907, at Shangh ii, WILLIAM HOPPLEY of Manchester, in his 42nd

On December 18, 1907, at Shanghai, CHARLES FRED. RICK, MOULY, second son of Bishop Moule, in his 40th year.

On December 19, at Shanghai, CAPITULINA DA SILVA LOPES, the beloved wife of Tobias Maria Lopes, in her 65th year.

The Noughang Welegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1907.

EXTRADITION CASKS.

Few laymen will have the temerity to dispute the repeated assertions of the judges to-morrow, the next number being of the Supreme Court that their Lordships are, like plain, ordinary hundrum individuals overworked. I verybody is content to believe that he is pulsating at an energy developed after the pattern of the machines whose delayed advent was the subject of one of Sam Weller's laments. From the factoryhand, whose work begins when many people are just making up their minds to retire for the night, to the latest candidate for honours in the "hopper succlès" all are obssessed with the idea that they are a living personification of the verbe " to liustle," and as no goed object is likely to be derived from any attempt to bring them true enlightenment then we may bleave them to them-Belves, But when the judges of the highest Court in the Colony join in the general cry it is highly essential that their protest should be estiously considered and given that importance which it warrants, It

the calendar of the Supreme Court swollen; to unusual proportions, or are the petty Summary - Jurisdiction cases growing in

numbers? There is no evidence to that effect either one way or the other. after day our representative who is deputed to chronicle the doings of the judges at the -Supreme Court returns with the answer that there are no cases, or none of any interest. And that would appear to be the condition of things prevailing for weeks at a time, the gloomy Courts being left to the shadows and mysteries of dead and gone litigants whose fatal fascination of the red riband has led to their utter abandonment. That aside, there seems to us to be a class of cases which, if it was ever decided to lighten In the course of in interview Admiral Rozsjethe labour of the Courts generally, should come under a special branch of the criminal code, and be dealt with separately and apart from any reference to the merely vul- possibilities of war. gar misdemeanour of street-snatching. A most every other day our news columns are bedecked with the reports of extradition cases "proceeding," and some weeks later we read under "Canton Day by Day" that the accused who were charged with being concerned in an armed robbery and had been extradited to Canton from Hongkong, on prima facie evidence being produced, have been beheaded on the execution ground, in presence of a large concourse of people. Extradition cases are notably difficult, for there is the ever-present danger that an innocent gesture may, in the light of later events, cost a man's life in the end. Here in Hongkong there must necessarily always be a floating, which is to say transient, population of 10,000 to 20,000 per day, and many of these, unless faces and physiognomies count for nothing, are so closely allied to the bestial that it is difficult to say where the difference lies. These extradition courts would have to be presided over by men who were some-

thing more than mere machines and some-

thing less than indulgent parents. If there

are to be any changes in the administration

of justice in Hongkong during the ensuing

year, then the question of changing the re-

gister of cases coming under the Extradition

Act and giving it a position all its own should

certainly appeal to those whose work is con-

nected with the Supreme Court.

XMAS DAY. To-morrow brings with it Christmas Day in its train once more, and again we stand in amazement at the little that has been done to add distinction to the fastly-fading year notwithstanding the flutterings of dovecots and beatings of the wind that have been recorded. At Christmastide it is usual to hint or to hope that the world has grown a little better than it was, that people have become more humanised, and that the approach of the millenium may almost be divined. But it is really a waste of time to pursue that topic, for the world is probably not much worse to-day than it was in the Never-Never times when Caine came to grief over the question of unlimited speed over the new automobile track. So fa as Hongkong is concerned the fact that money is tight, and that merchants are displaying less and less inclination to extend their credit dealing or accommodate past customers, are factors which have to be borne in mind when the festivities of the season are being considered. Many who are paid on a sterling basis will be chuckling over their good fortune in getting-for some occult reason which they do not stop to consider—something for a nothing whe On Dicember 19, 1907 at Shanghai, the it-comes to opening the annual bazaar As usual the public offices will be closed while the other places of public resort will be wide open to all and sundry, who have the necessary fee of introduction. Naturally, while one section of the community will be regretting the fabulous days of their youth when snow and mistletoe were the chief delights of Christmas-unlike the present dead, dull, dog days of blighting fog as recorded by worthy old Reuter-there will also be a very considerable and growing number of residents whose beau-deal of a Christmas holiday will be made up of yachting tours and summer sunshine. At all events, Christmas comes as a welcome break, and if it has arrived at express speed this year then that is due to ourselves. There will be no issue of the Hongkong Telegraph published on Boxing Day.

CHRISTMAS HVF.

Peace and good will-the ancient mandate ringing,

Beat through the darkness of earth's Christmas Eve:

Way through the barriers human efforts

Break down the bars to-night that hold men | Embassy; Mr. Y. Yamara, who has ben Direct strangers,

Bridge now the chasms life digs at our Behind were perils-and before are dangers; Leave both awhile, before the Christ-

child's feet.

-Pull Mall Gasille.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H M. DESTROYER Junus has returned from the West River and is now in dock. H.M. sloop Clio of the West Piver flotilla returned to port

MR. W. B. Ridgely, U.S. Comptroller of Currency, advises the establ-liment of a contral bank, on the inedel of the Bink of France, to control the carrenty.

THE Vacuum Oil Co.'s calendar for next year is of exquisite design. From Mesure, R. D. Sassoon & Co. we have to acknowledge the receipt of a ca'end ir and blotter issued by the Queen Insurance Co.

tvensky has declared that the cruise of the Unived States fleet allences the Jupanese jingoor, for American superiority at sea precludes the

THURSDAY evening, December 26th, at the Chinese Y. M. C. A. Mr. T. M. Elliott wil lecture on the subject-"The value of an Education," . He will illustrate his lecture with about fifty lantern slides.

RUSSIA has protested to China against the construction, which has already been begun, of a railway between Tsitsihar and Aiguo, view of the fact that a concession for this line had been granted to Russia.

LEUNG SONG, a watchman, employed by the Hongkong Club, was charged at the Police Court, to day, with the larceny of nice spoons, a knife and a fork, valued at \$8, the property of the Club, this morning. He was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour and six hours' stocks.

THE services in St. John's Cathedral on Christmas day will be as follows: - Holy Communion, 7.30 a.m.; Mitins and Holy Communion, it a.m. The Preacher will be the Bishop of Victoria. There will also be a celebration of the Holy Communion in the Peak Church at 8 am.

IT is reported from Peking that, in replying to H. E. Hei Liang. Viceroy of the Yun-Kuci provinces, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs has stated that the question of the redemption of the Yunnan railway is now being discussed between H. E. Liu Shih-haug, Chinese Minister in Paris, and the French Foreign Office, but that no positive settlement has been arrived at yet.

POLLARD'S LILLIPUTIANS had a very warm reception last night when they repeated The Belle of New York, at the Theatre Royal .. There was a large attendance-even better than the opening night -and from the rise to the fall of the curtain the piece was a thorough success. To-night the play will be staged again for the last time. Cn.Saturday'there will be a grand

MR. Cottelyou, Secretary of the Treasury, has made a statement to the effect that he is not a caudidate for the I residency. This announcement helps to clear the political atmosphere. when taken in conjunction with President Roosevelt's declaration. The issue for the post of Republican candidate is now between Mr. Taft and Governor Hughes. Public favour inclines to the latter.

WHEN H.E. Wu Ting-lang, Minister-designate to the United States, -pain and Peru, was recelved in farewell audience by the Throne, he was commanded to present the thanks of their Imperial Majesties to President Roosevelt for he lives forever. A thousand years from now, returning to China the balance of the lloxer indemnity. His Excellency was expected to from now, he will continue to ma' e glad the leave Peking for Shanghai on 20th inst.

THE District Magistrate of Chenchon has how received his seal of office and the Taotai has returned to Fenghuang. The new prefect is expected daily. At the beginning of the month ncute discord between the local gentry and the magistrate led to the removal from office of the latter. His seals were entrusted to the prefect. who died shortly afterwards, and the town was in the anomal sus position of having no official.

On Christmas and Boxing Days, commencing at 2 p.m. and 11 a.m., respe tively, the Hongkong Cricket Club will play against a combin ed League XI. The following will represen the Cub :- R. Hancock, H. Hancock, W. C Turner, T E Pearce, Majer H. E. Lowis

119th Infintry, Capt. R. E. E. Kriekenbeck, 110th Infantry, H. R. Makin, A. A. Claxton, A. W. J. Pcake, E. A. Fowler and Wm Dixon.

THE Waiwupu has received a telegram from H. E. Sheng Pauan-huai from Hanlow, who reports that he may be expected in Peking during the course of next week to discuss the Chekiang railway loan with Sir J. Jordan and Mr. '.O. P. Bland in conjunction with H. E. Wang Ta-haich. The Chinese Government wishes the natives to deposit \$15,000,000 at the National Bank of China (Hupuyinghong) in Peking and Shan, hai, as a proof that, they are capable of building the railway without outside assistance.

JAPANESE papers say that, in consequence of faith is no defence. the forthchcoming transfer of Mr. Takahira

who won a reputation as Consul-General at Tientsin and is now Councillor of the London or of the Political Bureau for eight years past, will go to London as Mr. Injuin's successor under Count Komura, Mr. T. Kurschl, to Tha Hague Conference, will be made Resident Minister in Chile. As Mr. Inouve, now at Kobe Heruld

IS THERE A SANTA CLAUS!

At this time of the year when the little ones have become excited over their anxiety to know how their conduct during the last twelvo months will be rewarded to-morrow morning by Father Christmas, the question will arise among those of a sceptical age -especially the paughty ones-as to whether there is such t person in the world as Santa Claus. And it is with this purpose a view that we publish prominently, on this day the reply given by a contemporary to the letter of an eight-year-old girl, by name Virginia, who asked the ques tion: "Is there a Santa Claus?" She asked to be told the truth, "as some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus." The answer to her query, which we entirely endorse, and which every little one in the Colony will read with interest was as follows: - Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the sceptical age. They do not believe a cept they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. Al minds, Virginia, whether they be men's o children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth an knowledge.

exists as certainly as love and generosity. and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alasi how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extin, uished.

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they d d not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The mo t real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairles dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unsecable in the world.

"You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ab. Virginia, in all this

world there is nothing else real and abiding. "No Santa Claus I Thank God I he lives, and Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years heart of childhood.".

We wish all our young friends a

"MERRY XMAS."

AT the request of Travelling Commissioner Yang Shih-ch'i, the Waiwupu has asked H.E. Liu Shih-haun, Chinese M nister in Paris, to negotiate with the French Government concerning the appointment of a Chinese consul to Saigon, "for the protection of the interests of Chinese merchants there."

IT is reported from Peking that the amount damage done to Chinese subjects during the recent Vancouver riots is £25,700 and that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs has instructed Lord Li Ching-fang, Chinese Minister in London, to approach the British Government on the subject and to demand the punishment of the ricters.

THE Japan Mail remarks that a decision delivered by a French Court on the subject of the infringement of trade-marks has establi hed consideration by Japanese Judges-(1). The words or language used. (2) The use of fancy application are :names of English appearance by themselves is of this practice need not show actual damage | entire premises are let, I shall be in a better

from Rome to Washington, Baron Chinda, In Summary Jurisdiction, at the Supreme for use by the European and Chinese occu-Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, will succeed Court, this morning, Tseung Ut, allas Treung pants, there exist at present two privies; one as witness the British interference of the inter-Baron Takahira in Rome; Baron. Hayashi .Ut Wo, a tender, of 8c, Lime Kiln Street, Sam- on the first floor, maintained by the tenants-Across the night floats out its message, wing- Minister in Peking, will be made Vice-Minister shul-pr, brought action against I asung Fong the St. George's Club-for use by their Chinese of Foreign Affairs, while he will be succeeded | Chau, a Kowloon trader, 77, Lime Kiln Street, to | employees, and one on the ground floor mainat the Chinese capital by Mr. H. Iluin recover the sum of \$625 due from the defendant tained by the tenants—the "S.C. Morning under an undertaking made and given by the Post," for the same purpose. I am etc. defendant to the plaintiff on the 16th Septembor. Or in the alternative for the sum of \$625 The Secretary. being money had and received by the defendant for the use of plaintiff in request of sales of property of the San Ki firm Mr. M. W. Slade. instructed by Mr. F. X. d'Almada a Castro, | ing Public Health and Buildings Ordinance appeared for the plaintiff, while Mr. R. J. Grist, and the byg-laws in respect of the removal of home, is to resign. Mr. Tsudzuki will probably of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, was for the infected persons, disinfection of infected pros cosed him as / mbassador at Berlin .- The defendant. Mr. Justice Wise found for the mises, etc., a lengthy minute by Mr. Lau Chu delendant with costs

SAD ACCIDENT ON H. M. N "KING ALFRED."

DEATH OF A. B SAUNDERS.

All the men-of-war in port to-day were flying their flags at half-mast. An inquiry elicited the fact that the flags were half-masted out of respect for the death of a young able-seaman, named Saunders, who came by his death at the result of an accident last night. A. B. Saunders was only twenty years of ago and his untimely demise at this festive season has cast a gloom over the whole of the ship's company. With a friend Saunders proceeded on deck for some fresh air last night. Af er pacing the deck for while he elected to sit down, and chose the edge of, one of the forem ist hatches. While thus seated he accidentally over-balanced himself and was precipitated into the hatch below -a drop of some thirty to forty feet. When he was picked up Saunders was found to be dead, having been instantaneously killed by the fall. No sooner was the accident known No the ship's officers than Fleet- urgeon Chambers, assisted by another surgeon, was immediately, in attendance; but their services could be of no avail as life was extinct when the bidy of Siunders was brought up, the medical men being of opinion that deceased died of concussion of the brain due to the violence of the fall. At nine o'clock this morning the body was tem ved to the Naval Mortuary at Wanchai whence the burial took place at 2 o'clock this afternoon. Deceased given a burial with full Naval honours. The coffin resting on a gun carriage covered factory guarantees. by the Union Jack, was drawn to the "Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Caus. He | Cemetery at Happy Valley by comrades of the deceased. Every warship in the harbour was represented by a detachment of seamen, marines and officers. Numerous beautiful wreaths surmounted the coffin and the Band from the fligship (H. M. S. King Affred) led the mournful procession from the Monument to the grave. The funeral ceremony was performed by: Naval Chaplain Lovett of the King Alfred, a firing party being pro-

> belong d. Young Saunders, was due to be paid off next month at the end of his commission when he was to proceed home where his father and mother besides three sisters (he being the only ron) survive to mourn his loss.

vided by the ship to which the deceased

SANIZARY BOARD. · FORTNIGHTLY MEETING.

Too usual fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board was held in the Board-room this after noon, when the following business was trans

VEGETABLE MARKET FOR YAU-MA-TI. The reply from the Government to a petition from Yau-ma-ti vegetable merchants in which they paked for a site to erect a vegetable market thereon, was laid on the table. It was

Colonial Secretary's Office,

and December. Sir,-Referring to your letter No. 2464 of the 24th September last, I am directed to state that it is proposed to proceed forthwith with the preparation of the site for the vegetable market at Yau-ma-li.

The Registrar-General considers that an area of 160 x 30 feet will be sufficient in the first instance and this area will accordingly be con creted and drained and a water supply will be

provided as suggested by the Board. The area will be increased to 160 x 60 feet when it is considered necessary and when funds permit, and it is proposed eventually to roof over the whole site. - I am, etc.;

(Sd.), F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary.

The Secretary, Sanitary Board. LATRINE ACCOMMODATION.

Correspondence relative to latrine accommodation at No. 14, Des Vœuz Road Central, pirate. premises occupied by Jay's, Ltd., was considered. The correspondence is appended :-Sanitary Board, 22nd October, 1907.

Sir,-It appears on inspection that the above building is not provided with proper latring

accommodation for the Chinese employees. I am directed by the Board to request you to be good enough to supply proper lattine ac commods, on in accordance with Section 16 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance 1903 .- I have, etc.,

(Sd.), G. A. WOODCOCK, Secretary. Ho Tung, Esq.

Compradore Office, Jardine, Matheson & Co 20th November.

Sir,-With reference to your letter No 5946/07 cilling upon me to provide latrine accommodation in the above building for the the following points, which are well worthy of Chinese employees, I heg to request that the Board might be pleased to allow the provision indication of a false mark of erigin need not be of the conveniences to stand in abeyance until expressed, it may be by inference from the the premises are fully let. The reasons for my

At present the whole top floor and the greater. not reprehensible. (3) The party complaining portion of the first floor are vacant. When the it is sufficient if he shows possible damage. (4) position to ascertain the availability and extent When possible damage is demonstrated the of the space that may be required, and also practice becomes unlawful per se and good what position will best suit the convenience of all the tenants.

In addition to two privies on the first floor

(Sd.), Ho Tung.

Sanitary Board. PUBLIC HEALTH)

With regard to the amendment of the exist It's dealing on the subject was discussed.

Telegrams.

Keuter

The Reported British Pacific Squadron.

London, sand December. The Admiraty contradicts, in the most emphatic manner, the statement of the Standard concerning the establishment of a new Pacific Squadron in the North Pacific.

De Beers Mines.

A sensation has been caused by the Do Beers mines not paying a deferred dividend, owing to the large falling off of the demand for diamonds on account of the American

The Iritish Army.

Mr. Haldane, speaking in Edinburgh, said that the Special Reserve, replacing the Militia, would be complete in August, when six divisions fully equipped for a long campaign would be ready.

Austria-Hungary.

The Budapesth Parliament has finally passed an Ausgleich, and the Premier has announced that an exchange of notes with the Austrian Premier in regard to the resolution of the roth instant has resulted in satis-

AN ULD SMOGGLER-

CANDID CONFESSION AT THE SUPREME

During the hearing of a case in the Summary Jurisdiction Court, this morning, a little amusement was caused by the plaintiff in the action. being made to confess that at one time or another he took part in smuggling contraband into Chinese territory.

Mr. E. J. Grist, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, who appeared for the defence, began very nicely by asking the plain iff the name of his native, place.

"San-wui," was the reply. Mr. Grist-But in what village?

Plaintiff-Mok Pin

D you go home often? Once a year. You don't stay there long, do you?--No. only a few days.

During your last visit to the country you had trouble with the Chinese Coverament?-What trouble? co

In connection with salt smuggling?-After a pause witness replied: "I have nothing to conceal. I must confess that I took part in smuggling salt and opium some thirty years' ago. Nothing at all to conceal. (Laughter).

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

THE WEST RIVER. [From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 23rd December. Yeslerday the Inspector General of the Navy. H. E. Li Chun, on board the Chinese gunboat Lung Shang, left here for the West River,

to supervise the arrangements for the projer, patrol of the internal waterways. VICEREGAL INSPECTION ABANDONED.

H. E. the Viceroy has abandoned his contemplated visit to Intong to witness the military parade and the gun-testing practice, on account of the non-arrival of the recently or-

dered Krupp guns. PIRATE JUNK CAPTURED. Commander Au Ki-wan of the Chinese gunboat Kwang Po arrived here yesterday from

Kaolan with a captured pirates' junk and a SAMPAN CAPSIZED. This morning a sampan was capsized in the harbour by the wash from one of the Hong-

kong steamers and two men were rescued from the water. No lives were reported to have been lost, CANTON-KOWLOON RAILWAY. . H.E. the Viceroy has instructed the Canton

Likin Bureau to rass all goods and materials for the Canton-Kowloon R illway Department (Chinese section) free c f dues as fer arrangement between the Walwupu and that Depart-DOCK CHARGES.

The Canton Likin Bureau and the Shan Hon Chu have petitioned the Viceroy stating that the charges for repairs of government launches. eic, at the Whampon Greenment Neval Docks are somewhat high and requested authority to have them in future repaired in private slips. The request has been granted by H.E. the A NEW ASSOCIATION.

Yesterday a meeting was held in a school, in Ya Mow Street, inside the city, by students and others for the purpose of making arrange. ments for the formation of an association under the style of the Self-Government, Association of the Nine Prefects and Seven Suh prefectures of Kwangiung, Some students who have returned from Japan delivered speeches before the assembly. The lext of the speeches was to the effect that on account of the dangerous state of affairs at present in China partition of the territory of the Empire is generally frared, tung, the French demand for railway concessions in the southern part of the province and the Portugueso encroachment on Chiceso territory in the district of Heungshan, So it was quite time for the Chinese people to be spited in strength to bring about self-government and to protest against foreign interferaged in all Chinese matters. The speeches were recrived with applaute, and it was ultimately decided to make further arrangements at a meeling in be be'd next Sunday, when officials of 118, 4140. ciation will be appointed and regulations drawn up and presented to the Victory of his

TRADERS' VIGOROUS OPPOSITION.

CHRISTMAS BOXES.

The passing into law of the Preventions of Corruption Act has been followed by a determined effort on the part of large sections of the traders in London and in the provinces to stamp out the practice of giving Chrisimas boxes as one degrading to all the parties concerned, and having a pernicious effect upon the relations between employer and employed, In one important trade, the persistent efforts of a strong committee have resulted in practical unanimity, and for the first time this year courteous but firm refusals will be given to all appears to have been made without either such applications.

Christmas boxes come under several categories :--

1. Christman boxes given to customers. 2. Chris'mas boxes given to employees of

customers. 3. Contributions to beanfeasts (4) where the customer supports employee's appeal. (b) Where the appeal is not recognised.

4. Gifts from travellers to employees to secure orders and to prevent complaints. . 5. Gifts from travellers out of their own

pockets.

A SPECIMEN LETTER. In thousands of instances the terms "thoxes" and "gifts" are altogether inapplicable to the demands made and unwillingly complied with. A representative of the Pall Mall Garette who pursued it quiries into the question was shown letters sent to firms of high repute couched in the most peremptory' language. while others displayed the most barefaced offrontery. One epistle was as follows:---

· Among the few presents I received last year were two which did not state where they were from. As we do a fur, business with you, one might possibly have been from you. Anyhow, you will permit me to wish you the compliments of the senson.

"This," said the head-of, a well-known firm carrying on no extensive business in London and the country, his a specifical of what traders have to submit to, tiems who permit their employees to accept Chrismas boxes ought to realise that it is they, and not the giver of the Christmas, box, who suffer. Firms, who give Christmas boxes, of course, place the amount against the business, with the result that the customer has to pay more for the goods purchased than he would otherwise have to. Such gifts, too, are most unfail to the employee, for the simple reason when an emplayer observes that the business done with one particular firm increases more rapidly than he can account for he suspects the existence of some secret arrangement, and acts accord-

THE WHOLE SYSTEM PERNICIOUS.

There is a general consensus of opinion that the whole system is pernic ous and degrading. -Large firms have year after year been confronted by increasing demander while smaller ones have been seriously crippled. The evil has beenmitigated to a very considerable extent by the passing of the new Act, but there are still a large number of employers who permit their employees ito accept Christmas boxes, and customers who seek them from the firms the trade with,

In the paper trade especially vigorous action has been taken, and some time ago an appeal. was made to employers to prohibit their employees accepting Christman boxes in order that they might not feel aggri, ved at the firms who had decided to refuse all applications. .

"Christmas time is a curse tesmuli traders," was a fe nork mode by the member of one firm. "Applications are made that ought not to be, made, and yet there is ay be, just sufficient justification—if such a thing can be-for them as to make the trader timorous about fusing because of the risk of losing business. Then again, men are led to sacrifice their selfrespect and place themselves under obligations which are detrimental to their reputations in of those crimes proving less completely defunct every way."

ON WHOM THE ONUS RESTS. "For the sake of the purity of the relations bitween master and servant and between buyer and seller, the whole thing ought to be swept away. Now, the onus tests in the employer and refler who give to the servant and buyer. They could easily step it, and it would be stopped if they would only realise the fact that it would be to their mutual advantage to get rid of so corrupting a system.

IT is stated that the Canadian Pacific Railroad Company will be combelled to ray the Dominion Government \$5,000 because the Empress of Chine was two days behind time in arriving at Hongkong. The contract of the company with the Government puts a fine of Licco for every day over the time specified in the agreement. The Empress of China sank at her dock in Vancouver before sailing on her last trip and was delayed later at Victoria by her dynamos brénking down. 💀

SHIFPING AND MAILS

MAILS DUE. Australian (Talyuan) 27th inst. English (Arcadia) 27th inst., anon. Indian (Laisang) 29th inst. German (Zielen) 3rd prox., a.m. Australian (Chingin) 3rd prox.

The s.s. Chingin left Po t Darwin up 23rd

inst, and is due here on and prox. The Java-China-Japan Lijn s.s. 7 jift mas left Macassar for this part on 22nd instand may he expected here on or at out the 30th inst.

The Impetial German Mail s.s. Yorck tef Kobe vis Nagasaki and hanghai on 23rd inst., at a p.m., and may be expected here on or about 31st inst.

The Imperial German Mail s.s. Zielen currying the German Mails, with dates from Berlin to the ard ult., left Co'ombo yesterday p.m., and may be expected here on 100 prox., a.m. The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. Huprest of China

arrived at Nagasaki at 3 person 23 dinst, and left again of the m., same day, for Kobe, where, she is due to hir ban it bin' of atth last. WEI-HAI-WEI.

CINDERKLLA OF EMPIRE.

There is a certain pathos in the sale of the

Wei-hai-wei Gold Mining Company's plant, put

up for auction in Shanghai yesterday (17th inst.) afternoon, which, perhaps, may be thought to extend comore than the ill-fortunes in one particular speculation. Into the details of this now unnecessary to enter; they are sufficiently known throughout the China coast. No doubt. exists of the presence of gold in the foot-hills of Wei-hai-wei. But the attempt to realize adequate survey or calculation of cost; so much so, indeed, that according to one story not devoid of expect authority, the stamps were actually set down over the seam itself which thus was rendered entirely useless. But the and naval policy, the territory may be said, like the latest popular magazine but with more until the shadow of present uncertainty as to the Imperial Government's intentions is teavailable for it.

So far back in the history of Great Britain's occupation of Wei-hai-wei as April, 1898, which was three months before the Convention with the Chinese Government was actually signed, the then Mr. Curzon, speaking in the House of Commons, warmly repudiated bir Charles Dilke's suggestion that the Government had acquired the territory in haite and with no very determined policy. Subsequent events have substantiated rather the charge than its repudiation; and although Mr. Runciman, Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, declared categorically in February, 1926, that the transfer of Port Arthur from Russia to Japan makés no difference to the British occupation of Wei-hai-wei; no action is at present contemplated by His Majesty's Government," the present state of the territory, with its incomplete and vacant fortifications, its new naval hospital existing only in site, is abundant evidence of the vacillating character of the princip'es which have made show of directing its destinies. It is to be supposed that in a multitude of counsels the precise utility of Wei-haiwei has become obscured, and the unwillingness of successive Governments to spend money upon new enterprises has found excuse for inaction in the conflict of expert opinions as to whether Wei-hai-wei should be converted into a northern Hongkong, or be utilized merely as a flying naval base and depo: fr the China squadron. Since the dibinding of the Chinese Regiment a new suggestion has been put forward to the effect that the British troops now stationed at Tients in be withdrawn to Wei-haiwei where barracks stand empty awaiting them. Such a step, it is urged, would gain the unstinted gratitude of the Chinese to whom the presence of foreign troops at Tientsin cannot but be an obnoxious reminder of crimes which they might hope by now to have buried in decent oblivion. At the same time the troops at Wei-bai-wei would be at least as near to Peking as would be necessary in the event than they are alleged to be. The suggestion has at least this abvious merit that it would provide the Government of Great Britain with a basis on which to arrange a revised lease of the island of Liukung and the Wei-hai-wei territory; when the unfortunate mistake whereby the present occupation is made to depend upon the possession of Port Arthur by a particular

In one respect, at least the question of Weihai-wei appears to admit of no dispute; for it is clear that any alteration which has taken place in the balance of power in Far Eastern waters. during the last ten years is one of degree only, and not of quality; and if the occupation of Weihniwei was a necessity to tre t'Britain so recently as in February, 1956 it is certainly no: less so to-day. That the naval activities which once were contemplated, if not systematically mapped out for the territory, have, been altogether abandoned is apparently beyond doubt. But between that high destiny and the present policy of grudging inaction beneath which Wei-hai-wei visibly languishes there is the middle line of commercial development, for which there is rouson to believe that the necessary enterprise would not be lacking if once the Government could be brought to declare its intentions. It would be as absurd as inaccurate to suggest that Wei-hai-wei has no other aptitude than as a place of cillegiature for British subjects in the Far. East nor could the Government be expected to expr as itself very decidedly, if this were the sole aim in view. Already, and in spite of the poverty of encouragement, much, has been done in opening up the territory with new roads and bridger, in draining and in reconstruction of formerly insanitary dwellings. There is little doubt that the existing trade in agricultural produce and ground autamight be au mented by the culture of silkworms and by: scientific fruit and dairy farming, while the example of the winegrowers at Chelon might which surround Mi, Goschen and Mi, Lans

Power could be rectified in the sense which the

Convention already bears morally if not

technically.

ment of Wei-hal-wei is further hampered by the purely gratuitous pledge given to- Germany: in-1898 that, ho railway should be built on the territory; and this consideration supplies another argument for a revision of the lease, in orderthat Wei hai weimay obtain her legitimate share in the internal trade of Shantung to which the natural advantages of her fine harbour entitle her. Even without so great. a. concession this, but with a little more certainty of her closed chapter in We's it wells history it is own future, the Cinderella of the Empire might ba trusted to discover her own falry prince.

> FUNERAL OF MR. C. J. W. PROUNDES.

The funeral of Mr. Charles James William Pfoundes took place at the old Cemetery at One at noon yesterday, says the Jopan fate of the Wei-hai-weigold mines is chiefly | Chronicle of 12th inst. In his will the deceased interesting as an illustration of the fate which expressed the desire that his remains the kept seems at present to overshadow the whole ter- until the usual evidences are undoubted that ritory; and as the real potentialities of Wei- life has ceased, as the change exhibited in all hai-wei are in no manner bound up with the ani als; and that then cremation be employed; potentialities of its gold, it is sincerely to be later, if in Kobr, that application be made to hoped that that fate may be averted while inter the cremated ashes in the old Cemetery there is yet time. During the past summer at Ono,", The deceased also indicated the spot, a new, bid was made for the claims of preferred by him for his grave and expressed Wei-hai-wei as a health a resort by the the desire that a monol this be erected with on" conversion of the officera' quarters o' inscription in Romaji and Sinico-Japanese. The the extinct Chilese Regiment into an addition- | carrying out of the wishes of the deceased at hotel; and those who enjoyed the inspiriting necessarily delayed the funeral. The remains air and sparkling blue seas of Wei-hai-wei, who | were duly created at Kasugano, the ashes climbed its russet hills or explored its fruitful being taken to the International Hospital, from valleys, will bear witness to the justice of those | which place the cortege proceeded to the Ono claims. Only as a health resort, and without | Cemetery. The urn was placed in a coffic and regard for wider considerations of commerce | conveyed to the cemetery in a glass-panelledhearse. At the cometery the service was conducted under Buddhisi rices by three priests justification, to supply a long felt want. But from the Gokutakuji Temple, to which the deceased belonged. A large number of floral tributes were sent, principally from Japanese. moved, even that unambitious sphere is hardly A beautiful wreath, was sent by the Licensed Pilots' Association, the funeral having been lest in the hands of Mr. W. A. Loxton, Secretary of is Th. 46,307.82. that Association. Among the foreigners present at the functal were Mr. Yap Hok-Ling. Compradore of the Yokohama Specie Bank Mr. G. Abily, Captain Dunbar, Captain Anderson, Mr. M. Wignali, Mr. W. Martin, Mr. L. L. Thompson, and Mr. Loxton, besides a number

A GOLDEN DREAM.

And as I lay, I mused over the long suffering and patience of the owners of this place wher there appeared before me an angel holding in front a book which he opened and I there beheld having printed on it, letters of gold, which read thus:

ACT NO. 1 OF 1903. An Act for the Protection of Householders. 1st January, 1908

John Anderson, .Governor and Commander-in-chief.

It is hereby enacted by the Governor of the Straits Settlements with the advice and consent of the Legislative Chuncil thereof as follows:

r. This Ordinance may be cited as "The Protection of Householders' Ordinance 1908," and shall repeal such portions of the Labourers' Ordinance 1282 to 1 ras t e same is applicable to Domestic Servants.

'2. All persons engaged to perform menial work in and around any dwelling house shall be deemed to b. Dimestic Servants under this Ordina ce and shall include coachment chasseurs, grooms, gardeners, as well as house servants male and female.

3. Any en agement entered into after the passing of this act shall be for one month unless otherwise expressly stated, and two weeks' notice on either hand shall cause such engagen ent to terminate at the expiry thereof.

4. All wages shall be paid within seven days after the last day of the monthly period on which they become due, except at the termination of an engagement after such notice as aforesaid when they shall become due thereat.

5. No person shall board or lodge any Chinese Domestic Servant for a longer period than one month without the permission of the Chief Police Officer, and a book shall be kept by such person in which shall be written the name of such boarder or lodger and the name and add ess of the person last employing him.

6 Any Chinese Domestic Servant who shall have been out of employment for a louger period than one month shall be deemed a suspected person and be liable to be charged as such unless he shall satisfy the court that he has visible means of subsistence and that within the twelve months preceding he has been in emplo ment under i ne employer for a longer period than six months he shall for the first offence be liable to fibe and to fine and or imprisonment for the second offence, and for any such offence thereafter he may be banished from the Colony under the provisions of Ordinance IV of 1888 his presence being inconsistent with the public safety and welfare.

I. No Domestic Servant shall refuse to perform any work consistent with the services for

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A KUMBER of merchants of Shantung province has sent notice to the Peking Government to the effect that H.E. Wu Ting plog, Acting Governor of that province, is an incapable official who does not know how to discharge hisduijer, excapt "to fi uter foreigners especial. ly the Germans." In conclusion the petitioners surely be initated in the sheltered walleys trequest the Government to remove him witho I delay and to appoint an ! enlightened" downer. At the present time the advance- official in his stead.

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If you notice the Directors of the International Cotton Mill say the year's working resulted in a net profit of Tls. 55,581.12 The Directors of the Ewo do not put it in this way on April 15th next, and it is a very serious but say the balance at credit of profit and loss question whether that charter will be revived.

one and the same thing, for I am not skilled in nineteen vessels will in all probability soon be accounts and do not know much about the tied up in San Francisco harbour, as are those arranging of figures.

year Tls. 64,985.25 and this year this figure is money as we are now treated. ing at profit and loss account of Tls. 46,307.82 moonshine and splendour. and then I could have understood what they " "Pardon me if I speak forcefully. It is hard really had done.

JAFANESK SHIPPING.

THE QUESTION OF COMPETITION, The complaint made by Sr Thomas Sutherand Oriental Company will undoutedly attract Japan, but, though we can quite understand the same time be borne in mind that all is fair in love and war, -- and trade, especially from Japanese point of view. 'As a matter of fact, it is the people of this country who are the greatest sufferers, as they are laxed to pay subsidies in support of Japanese steamers, when the over-sea carrying trade of the country could with at least as great advantage be done vessels that do not carry the Japanese flag. is curious to note that Sir Thomas is not alone in his complaint, for on November 23rd Mr. I P. Schwerin, president of the Pacific Mai

the shipping business of the Pacific. Mr. Schwerin was a guest at the dinner the Waldorf, New York, of the Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers. He said that he had requested that his name be omitted from the list of speakers, but as this had not been done he felt it incumbent upon bim to tell the truth about what he termed "the most deplorable state of affairs in American shipping." His subject was, "What the United States Is Doing for Its Merchant Marine on the Pacific Coast."

Steamship Line, made a very bitter speech or

He referred to the liberal subsidies which are granted on the l'acific to British, German. and Japanese vessels, and stated that two magnificent versels were to be added to one Japanese line, which has already increased its fleet by three additional ships in comparatively

recent times. "But a subsidy blone will, not make a line a success," he said. "Let the United States Government pass a Bill like the Chinese prohibitive immigration enactment, let there companies suffer the loss of their emigrant traffic, and you would see their vessels tied up For lack of support.

"What his the United States Government done for us? Within a short period we were fined \$411,000 for infractions of the many regulations with which we have recently been hedged about. Of this amount we paid some ,\$265,000, having managed to secure a reduction of the original amount?

"Now we have had our entire carrying trade taken away from us through the operations of the Inter-State Commerce Commission, How? Why we are now obliged to give thirty days? notice of any change in rates. Other lines IN a leading article entitled "The Japanobreach of sec. 6 shall carry with it the liability | not of registry here, can change their rates at

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transportations. That is the p'afh, hard fact, That is the way the United States treats its

"I can tell you now that our charter lapses We are going backward. There is nothing for To'a plain working man like myself this is us to maintain in present conditions. About already of the Australian service, because of liappears that the Ewo carried forward last, the fact that they cannot be made to earn

reduced to Tis. 46,307.82, showing that they . "It's all tommy rot to talk about sentihave worked all year and made a loss of Tls. | mentality over the American merchant marine 18,678,33. It would have been far better if the from a sentimental standpoint. The man who Directors had just said that the mill had made can do us good is not the man who is going to n loss of Tle, 18,678.33 instead of a credit stand- | deliver us with the big stick and atmosphere of

after fifteen years of hard work, effective work; to be on the verge of losing one's job, and that for something over which one has no supervision. The idea that Hill or Harriman or Huntington should build ships and maintain them if the project will not pay them is all land at the annual meeting of the Peninsular nonsense. If a man cannot make money investing it in steamships he certainly will not wide attention in Japan. Sir Thomas spoke of put out his money that way. Because Hill "unfair competition" between Bombay and and Huntington and Harriman invested several millions of dollars each in ships they were attitude of the P. & O. chairman, it must at the looked upon as though they had committed a crime, and when the Bill was framed to provide help in the shape of systematic payments for carrying the mails, it was provided that no vessel now affont should receive such assist. ance. Why not? That's what we have a right

> Without attempting to prove or disprove the accuracy of Mr. Schwerin's assertions, we think it a very significant fact that United States shipping has declined under a Protectionist policy, and as Japan, in order to be quite upto-date, is evidently intent upon becoming Protectionist as well as militarist, some figures recently published by the British Board of Trade, showing the progress of merchant shipping in the United Kingdom and principal maritime countries, are of much interest. One of the most remarkable of the tables shows in cold figures what has happened to United States' shipping under Protect on. At British ports in 1854 there entered and cleared to and from the States 780,142 tons of shipping under the British flag and 1,908,004 under the Stars and Stripes. Last year the figures were-British, 12,705,838 tons; American, 944,543

In toonage built the figures' are equally instructive. In 1870 Great Britain built 376,5 x tons, and of that total sold 33,805 to foreigners. In 1906, 956, 71 tons were built, and 234,589 tons sold. The States built 2 69.3 tons in 1,870, and sold 17,078. In 1906, 418 745 were built, and 21,734 rold. In fact, since 1830, the registered tonuage for the States merchant navy has increased less than 40,000 tons. The British has increased eight millions in that time.

The following percentages show in a picturesque way the predominance of the Free-trade flag on all the seas. Of the tonnage in and out of German ports, 27.1 per cent. is British Germany's percentage of her own posts is 4.87. All other countries is 24.3. Albe British figures for other countries are as formws: Russia, 38 per cent. ; Norway, 12, Denmark, 7: Holland. 34; Belgium, 48; France, 35 (France's own percentage is 27); Portugal, 50; Spain, 26 Italy, 29; U.S.A., 52 (U.S.A.'s own percentage 14.6); Chili, 47; Argentine, 34; Japan, 30 (Japan's own percentage is 38,5).

Korean Empire" the Kokumin Shimbun; on the

any time without notice. Thus, when they 19th inst., lays stress upon the most cordial lower their rates we are obliged; under heavy nature possible of the reception accorded to the penalty, to give notice of our intention to Korean Crown Prince by the Emperor of Japan change ours in thirty days. Then just three on Wednesday, on the heartiness of the toasts days before the month expires our cut is met exchanged and on the Emperor's readiness to by a lower one. Then our books are always return the visit on Friday. These incidents. subject to inspection. We have about two continues the semi-official organ, show that expert accountants and half a dozen sleuths the kinship between Japan and Korea is of the going over them all time to find evidence of most intimate character. Meanwhile the dignity of the Korean dynasty is permanently "The foreign lines with their books far away respected under Japan's protecting wing. The from here, not subject to the same regula- absence of distinction between the two countries tions, dotas they please with regard to these resembles the position of Austria-Hungary. Athings, and the result is that we have suffered form of dual monarchy and the present relaa loss of from \$3,000,000 to \$4,000,000, while tions between Kores and Japan constitute the our rivals have added some \$5,00 .000; to their happiest augury for the prosperity of Kores.

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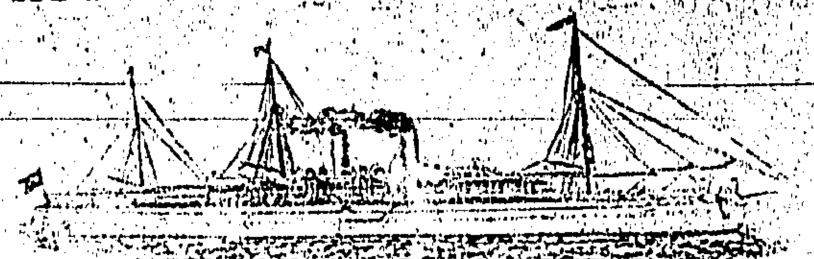
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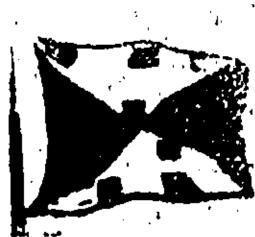
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Bamboo Shoots-Chook Shun Cabbage, Chinese, com.-Kai Choy.... Cabbage Root-Kai Lan Tausach Cabbage, (Shanghai)-Yeb Chol 24 Cane Shoots, bunch-Kau Shun , 20 Cauliflower, Large size-Tai Yeh Choi

Fa Cauliflower, Medium size-Cheung Yeh Choisiaeach Cauliflower, Small size-Sal Yeh Choi-fa Carrots-Kam Shun Celery, Chinese-Tong Kan Choy Celery, English-Yeung Kan Chol Celery, White-Pak Young Kan Choi...

Chillies, Dried-Con Lat Chiu Red-Hung Fa " Green-Cheng Lat Chiu Curry Stuff, English-Ka Lee Choi Liu Cucumbers-Cheng Kwa Ritter Squash-Fu Kwa Garlic-Sucn Tau..... Ginger, young-Sun Tas Keung

old—Lo Keung Horse Radish, Shanghai-Lik Kan ... D Indian Corn-Suk Maipiece Lettuce-Yeung Sang Choi Water Chesnuts - Ma Tai Mandarin-Kwej Lum Ma Tar.,

Mushrooms, Fresh-Sang Cho, Kho,.... Onions, Bombay-Yeung Chung Tau ... Green-Sang Chung, Shai-Sheung Hoi Chung Tau Japan-Yat Poon Okroes-Mo Ker

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THE WEATHER.

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The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg. Director of the Hongkong Observatory :--

On the 24th at 11.55 a .- The barometer has risen over Japan, and fallen over China, particularly in the North.

A depression which will probably move Eastwards has appeared over N. China, and the highest pressure is now over S.W. Japan.

Gradier ti have decreased over S. China and the China Sea, and light monsoon may be expected in the Formosa Channel, and fresh to inoderate moreson over the N. part of the

China Sea. Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a m. to-day, 0.00 inch.

FORECAST. 1 .- Hongkong and neighbourhood, N.E. to N. winds, moderate; cloudy, some light rain. 2 .- Formosa Chanuel, N.E. winds, moderate i_{tt} or light.

3 .- South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks, same as No. 1.

4.-South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan, same as No. 1.

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Arrivals.

Dagny, Nor. s.s., 883, O. Abrahamsen, 22nd Dec. - Haiphong 18th Dec., Rice .-Auguard, Thoresen & Co.

Signal, Ger. s.s., 657, G. Schlaikier, 23rd Dec., -Hollow 2 at Dec., Rice.-J. & Co. Hongkong, Fr. s.s., 742, A. Cornelinsen, 23rd Dec.,-Haiphong 19th Dec., and Holhow 21nd, Gen. -- A. R. M.

Hongkong Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,447, E. Ben', 24th 24th Dec.,-San Francisco 26th Nov., Honolulu 3rd Dec., Yokohama 16th, Kobe-17th, Nagasaki 19th, and Shanghai 21st; Mails and Gen.-T. K. K.

Sachsen, Ger. s.s., 5,014, C. Woltemas, 24th Gen.-M. & Co. Zufiro, Br. 1.18., 1,029, A. Fraser, 24th Dec.,-

Manila 21st Dec., Hemp and Sugar. - S. Yuensang, Br. s.s., 1,128, Rolfe, 24th Dec.,-Manila 21st Dec, Gen .-- J., M. & Co.

/pwata-Maru,-Jap.-s.s.,-2,370,-K.-Homma, 24th and Gen .- Y. K. Devawongse, Geri a.s., 1,013, T. V. Bruhn,

24th Dec. - Bangkok and Swatow 12th Dec. Rice, Salt and A ood.—B. & S. Hupeh, Br. s.s., 1,205, H. Mathias, 24th Dec., -Haiphong and Holhow 22nd Dec, Rice and Gen,-B. & S.

Nicomedia, Ger., s.s., 4,364, P. Wagemann 24th Dec,-Portland, Or. 9th Nov., and Moji 19th Dec, Gen. -P. & A. S. S. Co. Aldenhum, Br. s.s., 4,038, St. John George, 24th Dec.,-Kobe 14th Dec., Gen.-G., L.

Clearances at the Harbour. .

Hongkong Maru, for Manila. Chihii, for Holhow. *Paklat.* for Swatow. Kwongsang, for Ningpo. Taishun, for Shanghai. Machew, for Swatow. *Mongolfa,* for Shaoghai. Amigo, for naiphone. Ivo Maru, for Shanghai *Vorwarts*, for Pakhoi, Helene, for Tourane. Sachsen, for Singapore. ... Taming, for Manila. Kanagawa Maru, for Singapore. Riojun Maru for Singapore. Li nechow, for Ningpo. Secovia, for Singapore.

> Departures, Dec. 23.

Hein Ming, for Canton. Dec. 24. Tourans, for Europe. Mongolfo, for Sun Francisco. Yesan Maru, for Kuchinotzu. *Slam*, for Shanghai. "Pantant, for Saigon... Changing, for Canton. Sunda, for Yokohama. Taming, for Manila. - Yunnan, for Hengay.

Pakhol; for Bangkov. Ivo Maru, for Scattle. Chikli, for Holhow. Kwongsang, for Shanghai,

Passengers arrived. Per Zafiro, from Manila-Mr. and Mrs. Cory, Messrs. Andinose, Beck, George, Luchs, Mr. and Miss Carr, Messrs. Kenich, Blancos,

Enshaw, Chandler, and 18 Chinese. Per Sacksen, from Yokohama for Hongkong -Sub-Lieut. Bindscil. For Genon-Mr. W. Koock, From Shanghai for Hongking-Mrs. A. Popplewell, Messrs. H. Figge, J. Bandow. L. Wolf, Mrs. Baer, Messrs. Muhlmann, Julins Jeters, L. Schmidt, Miss G. Harms, and Mr. M. M. Böhlken. For Colomba-Mr. O Jenssen. For Genos-Mr. H. Roldiger, Dr. Tafe', Messrs. C. Koenig, Bedys, Hoffmann and Hall. Neil Mclend at Kowlong Dock For Southampton - Miss C. Grin es. For I Inc h Diederichsen ... Bremen- r. H. Lotheisen.

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Miss R. Niebling, Mrs. L. C. Riggs, Mrs. Frank Lochr, Mics A. M. Freemar, Mrs Williams, Mr. H. R Spencer, Mrs. C. W. Frankee and native servant, Capt. W. Ehrhardt, 1:8 Chinese. and 6 Japanese - For Manila-Mrs W. H Avery, Mr. J. N. Bla-co, Mrs. G. O. Blai dell, Misses Helen Blaisdoll, Grace Blaisdell, Master Everett Braisdell, Mrs. Katherine Case, Mossrs. Wm. D. Clifford, Clarence W. Cowan, H. H. Ewing, Miss Helen Guerin, Messrs. C. Fod. s n. C. E. Joh mon, Mrs. R. W. Jones, Mr. Joseph Luke, Miss Iris Monroe, Mr. Otto

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Per Hongkong, from Haiphong, &c .- Mr.

Per Aldenham, from Japan for Hongkong - Mrs Stanley Smith For Sydney-Mr. Jas Milson, Rev. P. Faf, Meisrs. D. Fay, L. P. and Miss Coates.

Per Yawata Maru, from Japan for Hongkong-Mrs. E. B. Catron, Mrs. F. S. Slayton, Measrs, Mork Kwan, Yu Yot 'han, Chiu Le Lan, t European, it Japanese, and to Chinese. For Manila-Prof. and Mrs. O. Scheerer, and Japanese, For Brisbane—Mr. A. H Aufridge. For Melbourne-Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Laferme, Miss N. Plant, and I Australian.

Shipping Reports. Str. Sungkiang, from Amoy: -Strong N.N.E.

Str. Hongkong, from Haiphong, &c.:-Strong N.E. monsoon. Str. Zafiro, from Manila :- Moderate gale, I's

high sea, rainy, overcast throughout. S.r. Devawonym, from Bangkok:-From

Padaran, heavy monsoon, heavy sea. Overcast. Str. Katherine Park, from Callao :- Ueavy weather crosing from Japan wind from West to North accompanied by very high confused

sea. Strong monsoon on China Coast. Sir. Nicomedia from Portland, Or .: -Encountered a heavy gale on 211t inst. ship's position between Yangtse Klang, Japan and

Formosa Channel. Str. Aldenham, from Japan :--- Very violent weather from the West to Northin a succession of gales accompanied by high and confused seas. Strong N.E. monsoon on China Coast.

VESSELS IN PORT

STRANGIUS.

Alesin, Ger, 8.5, 5,183, J. Ernst, 23rd Dec,-Portland, Or. and Moji 18th Dec., Flour .-P. & A. S. S. Co. Childar, Nor. s.s., 1,102, A. Augensen, 22nd

Dec.,-Bangkok 11th Dec, and Swatow 21st, Gen.-N. Y. K. Derwent, Br. s.s., 1,562, J. Jenkins, 20th Dec. -Saigon 15th Dec., Gen.-Man Fat & Co. D. S. Ottbenope, Ger. s.s., 2,769, H. Petersen 20th Dec .- Amoy 18th Dec., Gen .- C. &

Empressiof India, Br. s.s., 3,032, E. Beetham R.N.R., 16th Dec., -Vancouver, (B.C.) 26th Nov., and Shanghai 13th Dec., Mails and Gen.-C. P. R. Co.

Fausang, Br. s.s., 1,410, H. S. Malkin, 19th Dec. - Canton 18th Dec. Ge .- J., M. & Frithjof, Nor. s.s., 891, O. Andersen, 14th

Dec.,—Haiphong 12th Dec., Rice. Aagaard, Thoresen & Co. Fukushu Maru, Jap. 3.8., 1,095, T. Ito, 22nd Dec.,-Anping 19th Dec., Gen.-O. S. K. Dec, Yokohama 14th Dec., Mails and Ganges, Br. 5.5., 2,721, S. A. Page, 21nd Dec.,

-Barry Dock 31st Oct., Cont.-Admiralty. Glenesk, Br. s.s., 2,274, J. Rafferey, 30th Nov., -Salina Cruz 16th Nov., Ballast.-C. M. Haiching, Br. s.s., 1,267, A. E. Hodgins, 22nd | Kuchi

Dec,-Foochow 19th Dec, Amoy 20th, Nagasaki and Swatow 21st, Gen.-D., L. & Co. Dec.,-Japan 20th Dec., Onion, Potatoes Helene, Ger. s.s., 771, J. Jessen, 23rd Dec.,-Swatow 22nd Dec., Gen .- J. & Co. Holstein, Ger. s.s., 985, A. Niejohr, stith Dec.,

-Swatow toth Drc., Gen .- J. & Co. lacob Diederichsen, Ger. s.s., 623, Hensen, 22nd Dec .- Pakhoi 17th Dec., and Hoihow 20th, Gen.-J. & Co.

Kanagawa Maru, Jap. s.s., 3,815, N. Ohno, 23rd Dec -Yokohama via l'orts 11th | Shanghai.... 9 a.m. 30.21 48 Dec., Gen.-N. Y. K. Kohsichang, Ger. s.s., 1,09, C. Rosiefsky, Sharp Peak.

Lightning, Br. s.s., 2,122, E. Fey, 21st Dec.,- Taihoku Calcutta 19th Nov., via Penang and Singapore 14th Dec., Gen.-D. S. & Co., Ld. Machew, Ger. s.s., 995, R. G. Zöllner, 20th Dec,-Bangkok via Holhow 5th Dec.,

Rice.-M. & Co. Manila, Ger. s.s., 1,108, J. Minssen, 14th Dec., Melbourne and Sydney 19th Nov., Gen.-.M. & Co.

Mausang, Br. s.s., 1,644, R. Houghton, 12th Deci-Sandakan th Dec., Timber and Gen.—J., M: & Co. Mercedes, Br. s.s., 3, 00, J. S. McGregor, 21st Sept,-Weihaiwei joth Sept., Ballast.-

Admiralty. 23rd Dec ...- Manila 21st Dec., Gen .-- N.

Phranang, Ger. s.s., 1,021, F. Bücking, 10th Dec. Bangkok 5th Dec., Rice. B. & S. Progress, Ger. s.s., 683, H. Struve, 19th Dec., -Sandakan 14th Dec., Coal.-S. & Co. Proteus, Nor. 25, 2,025, F. C. Kolderup, 20 h Dec.—Bangkok via Swatow 14th Dec. Gen.-N. Y. K. Pronto, Nor s.s., 838, T. Seeberg, 14th Dec.,

-Haiphong 11th Dec., Rice,-Wallem & Stettin, Br. s.s., 1,396, J. E. Farrell, 20th Dec., -Singapore 11th Dec., Gen.-B. & S. .. Taishan, Br. s.s., 1,214, J. S. Laing, 17th Dec., -Baigon 9th Dec., Meal.-B. & Co. Tatsu Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,950, U. Kancyasu, 21st

Dec., - Taksu (Formosa) 19th Dec., Ballast,-Yes Hing Tai. Triumph, Ger. s.s., 679, J. Bendixen, 20th Dec. - Haiphong and Hoihow 19th Dec. Gen.-J. & Co.

Ulv. Nor. s.s., 885, J. Petersen, 17th Dec.,-Haiphong, 14th Dec., Rice.—Asgaard Thoresen & Co. Woolwich, Br. s.s., 1,845, A. Stoker, 13th Nov., -Moji 8th Nov., Coal.-D. & Co, Ld.

SAILING VESHEL. Lawhill, Br. 4-masted bark, 1,050, --28th Aug.,-from New York, Case Oil.-S. O. Co.

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ard December-Austria, Clauseburn, China Wo. Spenia. 6th December-Ernest Simons, Benalder, Borneo, Glenroy, Pakling, Sikiang, Benvenue. 10th December-Anchises, Banca, Bencleuch, Flintskire, Idomeneus, Palawan, Calchas, Suevia, Zieten. 13th December-Inaba Maru, Kawachi Maru, Yarra, Prins Ludwig, Wraycastle, Petronia. 17th Dechmber-Dardanus, Verona. 20th December-Acara, Tonkin, Jason, Ningchow.

Arrivals at Home-3rd December-Sikh Gharet, Deucalion. 6th December-Manila, Roos. 10th December-Hohenstonfen, Tamba Maru, Icih December-Belgravia, Ghazze, Liberia, Ernist Simons. 17th December-Idomensus, Pak Ling. 20th December-Inaba

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Post Office.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAYS. Wedn sday and Thursday, the 25th and 26th December, 1907, and Wednesday and Thursday, the 1st and 2nd January, 19 8, are to be observed as Public Holidays.

The Post Office will be open on each day from 8 to 9 a.m. only, There will be one delivery of letters and one collection as on Sundays.

A Mail will close for :-Macao-Per Sul Tal, 25th Dec., 1,15 P.M. Shanghai-Per Shaoksing, 16th Dec., 9 A.M.

The Money Order Office will, be entirely

Swatow and Bangkok-Per Proteus, 26th. Dec., 9 A.M. Macao-Per Sul Tal, 26th Dec., 1.15 P.M.

closed.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow-Per Hallan, 27th Dec., 9 A.M. Mauila, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth-Per Yawala Maru, 27th Dec., 11 A.M. Kuchinotzu, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C., Tacoms, Vancouver and Scattle, Wash .-- Per Belleropkon, 27th Dec, 11 A.M. MACAO Swi Tal. 27th Dec. 1.15 P.M. Manila - Per Vuensang, 27th Dec. 3 P.M. Randakan -- Par Mausang, 27th Dec., 3 7.M.

Kobe and Yokobama—Per Bree Mares, 27th

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Macao-Per Sul Tal, 28th Dec., 1.15 P.M. Shanghai, Yokohama, Kobe and Moji-Per Fooksang, 28th Dec., 2 P.M. Singapore, Penang and Calcutta - Per Lightning, 28th Dec., 2 P.M. Moli, Kobe, Yokohama and Portland, Or. Per Nicomedia, 29th Dec., 9 A.M.

Shanghai-Per Yochow, 30th Dec., 3 P.M. Shanghai-Per Hangsang, 30th Dec., 3 P.M. Singapore, Penang and Calcutta-Per Kallane, 31st Dec. 2 P.M. Shanghai-Por Kinklang, 31st Dec. 3 P.M. Manila-Per Team, 31st Dec. 3 P.M.

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Talynan, 31st Dec., 5 P.M. Manile, Simpsonhafen, Fr. Wilhelmshafen. Herbershohe, Samarai, Matupi, Prisbane Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melhoume, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle-Per Manila, 2nd Jan., 9 A M Manila-Per Loongsang, 3rd Jan., 3. P.M.

Cebu and Iloilo-Per Kaifong, 3rd Jan. Manila-Per Rubi, 4th Jan., 11 A.M. Moji, Kobe, Yokohama and Portland, Or.---Per Alesto, 7th Jan., 11 A.M. Singapore, Penung and Calcutta - Per'l

St. Peter's Seamen's Church.

Laisang, 7th Jan., 2 P.M.

CHRISTMAS DAY. Matins 11 am, Hymn; 'o, Responses: Festival, Venite : Crotch, Psalms : Cpecial, Te Deum : Stanford in B Flat, Benedictus: Garrett in G. Athanasian Creed, Anthem: "Sing O Daughter of Zio ."—Gadsby, Hymn: 58, Kyrie: Ad-] lam in F., Offertory Hymn': 59.

N.B — Hymn 60 (in unison) not played over. Psalm 19 Verses 1, 2, 15 in unison. ii 45 n 7, 11, 18 , ,, Preacher! The Lord Bishop of Victoria. N. B. - Choir Practice Friday, December 27th.

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ramble	river gunbost	710	0	900	Lieut,-Commander E. G. W. Davidson.	Yangtse				
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herub	water tank and tug	390	77	300	Commander C. D. S. Raikes	West River				
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BANKS. Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	20,000 40,000, \$	\$125 \$125 \$125	{	51, 797,167	{ \(\) 1.15/- for \(\) -year ending 30.6.07 (\) ex \\ \(\) 2/2 3/16 = \$16.04 \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\		ndw issue
National Bank of China, Limited	110,025	L7 L6	{ £12,73° } \$300,000	\$71,2,3	\$2 (London 3/6) 'or 1903)	5 5	THE 8TI
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Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	2 400	-7250 1° 100	\$456,407 \\ £125,137.15/-\ \$817,628 \\ \$860,000 \\	11,4604'.0	SFinal of Sr2 making \$42 for 1905 and } Linterim of \$37 to: 1906		820 145 buyers
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China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	`I	\$100 \$20 \$250 \$50	\$7,610) \$7,256,483	5435,236	\$40 tot 1905	22 %	S15 for Dec
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Indo China Steam Navigation Co., Ld. (Preferred)? Do. do. (Deferred)? Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited Do. (Preference)	200,000	71s; 50 Tis; 50	(1s. 54,372 £400,000 }	l.ls. 13,327	Interim of Tis. 18 for account 1907	12 % 11 %	Tis. 44 buyers con due 42/-
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited. Star " Ferry Company, Limited	2,000,000	£1 £1 \$10	5 5,000 } 5 532,957 } 5 115, 98,000	£3.49	{11,00 } for year ending 10.4.1907	{ 41 %	\$22 buyers 4 F
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China Sugar Refining Company, Limited Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	100 100	o rone		17 for 1807		\$100 buyers \$10 buyers Tis. 80 buyers
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DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS. Fenwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25 \$2	25 564,124	510,335	\$1.75 for year ending 31.12.06	121 %	£14
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Lo	20,000	\$50 \$	70,000 23,152 50 \$30,000 \$100,000	3,047)	\$\$50 old buyers \$\$4 new buyers \$\$6 sales
Hongkong and Whampon Dock Company, Ld	5,700	Fis. 100 "15+1	100 15, 1,000,000 15, 1,000,000 15, 487,210 Tis. 100,000	ls. 10,459	Tis. 3 for year ending 30th April 1907	41 %	Tis. 72 Tis. 20 } sales
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharl Company, Limited LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.	35,000	Tis. 100	Tis 190,100	(23,11)			
Apgle-French Land Investment Co., Ld. Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai) Central Stores, Limited	50,123	\$15 \$	15 \$1,000 15 \$1,000	310 90	8 123 for year ending 37,0.07	13 %	Tls. 105 1203 sellers \$14 1100 buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	: :0,000	\$200	50 \$36,075 00 \$250,000 10 \$208,386	\$50,21	B Interim of \$31 for half year ending 30.0	6.07 . 74 %	195 \$10} \$35 sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited Shanghal Land Investment Company, Limited	78,000	Tis. 50 Fig.	Tis. 869,493	\$1,08 115. 61,97	8 Interim of Tis. 3 for account 1907	71 %	Tis. 101 sales
West Point Building Company, Limited			Tis. 150,000	0 } Is. 64,98			Tls. 53 buyers
Hwo Cotton Spinning and Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	5,000	1 01 -	\$60,000	\$14,26	g 30 cents for year ending 31.7.07	5 %	Sto Tis. 50
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Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	1,200	Sio /	2/6 \$10 \$12 ! one	o 16	T TO TOOL	******	16) \$10 buyers \$10) buyers Tis. 60 buyers
China Flour Mill Co., Limited	(0,000)	\$r }	\$10} \$1} \$10 \$115,00	\$25,00 0 \$8	60 cents for year ended 24.2.05		16 \$Ç≩ sales
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	400,000		\$6 { \$10,000 \$10 \$11,000	o \$10,8	1 Interim of 50 cents per share for n/c 1	907	\$17 bayers \$11\frac{1}{4} \$21 bayers
Hail & Holtz, Limited	60,000	,,\$10 - \$25	\$20 \$186,00 \$10 none \$25 \$105,00	\$2,9 \$4,3	1 per share for year ending 28.2.07 Interim of \$4 for 1-year ending june 30	oth'07 91 %	\$15 \$240 \$25
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ld. Munischappij tot Mijn-, Bosch- en Landbouwe ploitatie in Langkat, Lanited Peak Tramways Company, Limited	25,000	Gs. too Gs.	Sio3	xo}	74. Final of Tis. 74 and bonus of 118, 29 m	91 %	Tis, 350 sa. ex d. \$15 \$52
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Shanghai Pulp and Paper Company, Limited in Shanghai-Sum are Tobacco Company, Limited		Fls. 100 Th	Tis. 45,00 Tis. 8,00 Tis. 24,65	00 } Tis. 3:3	Final of Tls. 5 and Tls. 10 for 1.76. Interim of Tls. 5 for a/c 1907		Tis. 60. Tis. 1121 buyers
Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited	16,350	\$25.	1 Tls. 50,00 Tls. 190,00 S25 none	1)z, \$47,6	1 Interim of 15/- for account 1907 (old) Interim of 11/3 for account 1907 (new None		Tis. 335 buyers 120' 16 sellers
Steam Laundry Company, Limited Tientsin Waterworks Company, Limited Union Waterboat Company, Limited	2,000 50,000	7 Fig. 100 Fig. 10	Sio Done Tis. 15,2 Tis. 4,0 none	95 } 100 }	Tis. 6) for year ending 30.4.07		Tis, 97 \$,o} buyers
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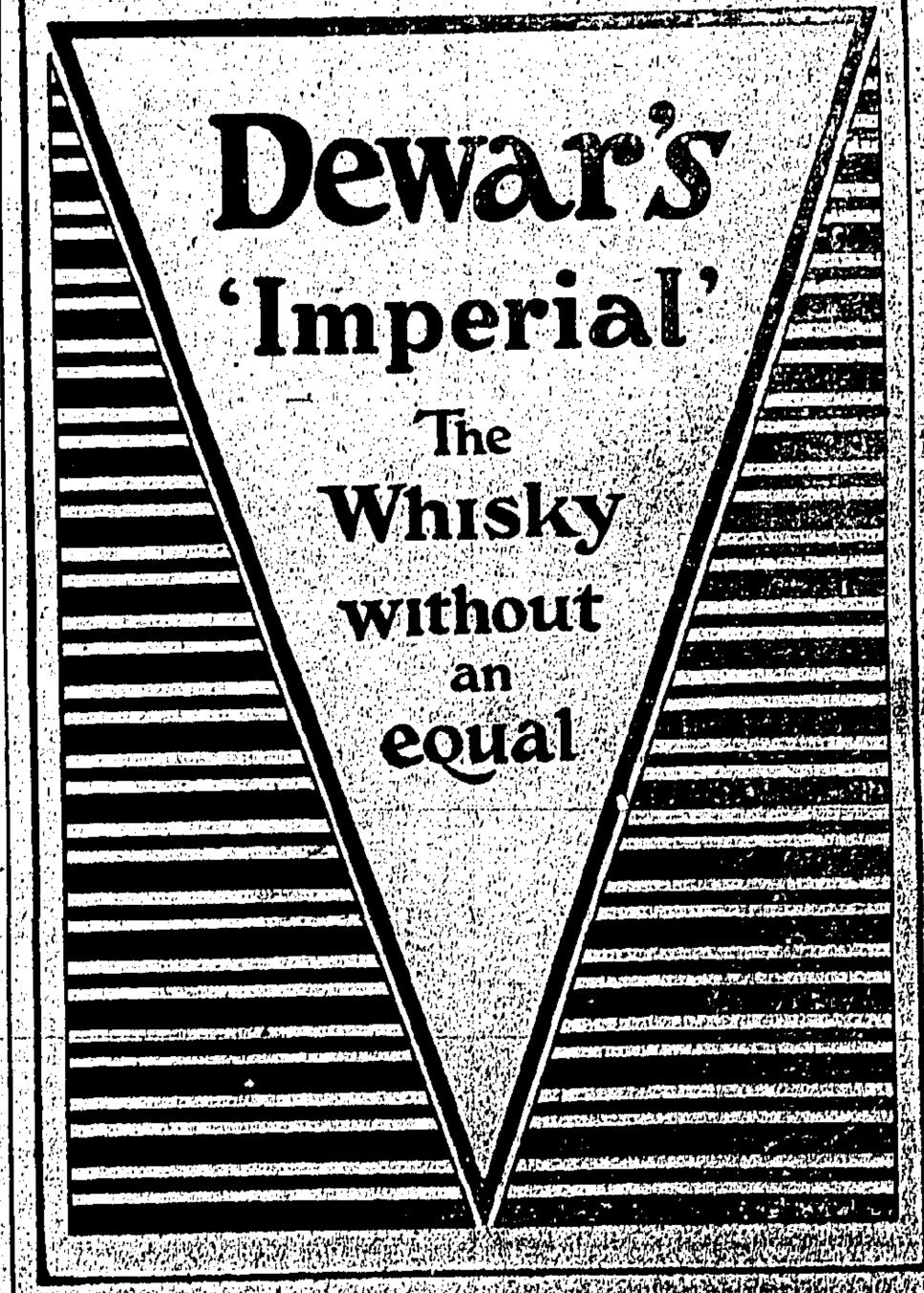
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